



You think Mom knows about this song?



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MOOD: 😊 bouncy

MUSIC: ZZ Top - Esther Be The One

...probably shouldn't play that too loud at work, just in case she does. My deathwish doesn't stretch that far.

[What the inside of my head looks like, right now. \(https://www.livejournal.com/away?to=http%3A/www.timeanddate.com/counters/fullscreen.html%3Fmode%3Da%26year%3D2008%26month%3D5%26day%3D23%26hour%3D12%2520pm%26p%03D26](#)



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31 comments



[dichroic](#)
May 21 2008, 13:32:30 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

I use timeanddate.com all the time for timezones and dialing codes, but didn't realize it could do that!



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May 21 2008, 16:29:54 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

You can use it to drive yourself crazy! Who knew?



[mattader](#)
May 21 2008, 14:08:25 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

What happens Friday? Did I miss something?



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May 21 2008, 16:28:15 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

I go on VACATION!!!!!!

Ahem. Ignore the screaming. Nothing to see here. Move along.



[trollcatz](#)
May 21 2008, 14:55:33 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Oh, THAT'S what that digital numeric display is I can see blinking in your pupils! (If you were standing in a dark room, I bet the glow from the light-up numbers would shine out your ears.)



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May 21 2008, 20:17:14 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Wanna go into the supply closet with me and see?

waggle eyebrows



[trollcatz](#)
May 21 2008, 21:30:36 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Honestly, I can't take you anywhere. Including the supply closet. *g*



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May 21 2008, 22:07:48 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Aww. You can take me to the supply closet any time you want.



[ace_cub_reportr](#)
May 21 2008, 22:08:56 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Does she have to let you out again?



[trollcatz](#)
May 21 2008, 23:28:30 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

I'll entertain competing bids, one way or the other.

Oh, wait--he's the one with the food. Or more accurately, the *non-scary* food. I will totally let him escape. *g*



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May 22 2008, 00:01:16 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

WIN!



[adarad](#)
May 21 2008, 14:56:41 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Hopefully you won't get sick for your long weekend. Mine was just this past weekend (Victoria Day FTW! - aka the May two-four), and I ended up spending almost the entirety of it on the couch watching movies. Kiss, Kiss, Bang, Bang! is good!



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May 21 2008, 20:21:51 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

I don't believe in a controlling intelligence in charge of the universe, but if there is one, from your mouth to its ear. Totally. I seem to be pretty bug-resistant, though. (Exception made for the Great Flu Smackdown of Early '08.)

Oh, man, sorry about your long weekend. At least the movie was fun!



[Ometotchi](#)
May 21 2008, 14:57:25 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Sweetie, she probably *grew up* with that song. If she finds it on your playlist, you're gonna be grounded for the rest of your life.



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May 21 2008, 20:22:43 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

turns volume down further

Though you know, ZZ Top is not meant to be played at a whisper.



[inaurolillium](#)
May 21 2008, 18:36:18 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Have fun on vacation, hon, and give Anne a big hug for me!



[inaurolillium](#)
May 21 2008, 19:43:27 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Also: making shoggoth pretzels, and the dough seems stiff. I'm letting it microrest, but this is the third time I've done it. Any advice?
dances to Cats Laughing



[inaurolillium](#)
May 21 2008, 20:41:20 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Never mind, I think I got it.



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May 21 2008, 21:29:28 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

What did you do to solve it? I've never had it come out stiff--it might be something atmospheric, since dough is insanely hygroscopic--but if it does, I want to know what to try.



[inaurolillium](#)
May 21 2008, 21:32:12 UTC Edited: May 21 2008, 21:34:23 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

I just changed the way I was kneading, actually. It wasn't responding well to flip-and-fold, so I rolled it into a big ball and more sort of massaged it (pushed into the middle of the dough-ball with the heel of my hand, then rolled the far edge back towards me, folding more gently), and the gluten started developing and the dough became much more elastic.

Also, I think both kitchen and dough were too cold to start out with.

Now I'm having an entirely different problem: Kneading took so long that I've run out of time for the rise. It's had an hour, but it's rising slowly, and I have to get going. I need to let a dog out to pee and get to work.

Hmmm... I wonder if an 8-hour controlled rise in the fridge would work?



[nebula99](#)

May 21 2008, 18:52:56 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

That's like my head, only I've got a few more days to wait until my holiday.

Have fun! Enjoy!



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May 21 2008, 20:24:49 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

I'm going to come back with music recommendations. Which I will share with everybody. Watch this space for Amurrican roots music pimpage!



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May 21 2008, 20:27:02 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

(Also, I will report on what [txanne](#) has for dinner and how much of it I steal off her plate by the clever ruse of pointing out the window and saying, "Look! Haley's Comet!")

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May 21 2008, 21:26:06 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

I am so ~~stealing~~ using that.



[nebula99](#)

May 21 2008, 21:11:17 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Hee - myself and my ears look forward to the music pimpage.

And the food reports, including items swiped through trickery, will be gratefully received.

I don't know what I can offer in return. Pictures of the leaning tower and of ice creams?



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May 21 2008, 21:25:19 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Gelaaaaaaaaaaaaahhhhhhhhto. Oooh.

You're planning to blog your trip report, right? You gotta.

(Someday I'm going to Europe. I was all silly and responsible and driven and goal-oriented during what I now realize was the perfect window of opportunity to fly standby with a backpack, hitchhike, camp on the beach in Portugal, drink beer in Prague, eat fish on a Greek island, flirt with cute girls by helping them with their English, get arrested by police officers whose language I don't speak a word of, escape from a Turkish prison using only a brass cuphook, a shoelace, and a graham cracker... I already need a second adolescence, and it seems as if I just finished the first one.)



[inaurolillium](#)

May 21 2008, 21:40:37 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

You could always have an early midlife crisis in a few years and do it then.

I missed that window through being severely emotionally unstable, and am now similarly regretting it. Now I'm trying to figure out how to fit it in, and wondering whether I should do it before I open my first restaurant or after I sell or franchise that one and before I open the next one.



[eljefe](#)

May 22 2008, 02:26:05 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

I have it on good authority that I spent four years in Europe, but I can only claim two with any certainty. Although I hear some very entertaining stories from friends there that indicate that four is indeed the correct number. If I may offer some hard won advice? Avoid annoying the German Polizei, and stay far far away from a Turkish prison.

I do heartily endorse beer in Praha tho. And Eindhoven, and Liege, and Trier, and Boleslawiec, and Rota, and Rome. . . .



[nebula99](#)

May 22 2008, 12:04:16 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

You're planning to blog your trip report, right? You gotta.

But of course. Especially the OM NOM NOM parts.

Someday I'm going to Europe.

Oh yes. You could go all out crazy and travel by train even. I have no personal experience of Turkish prisons, so can't recommend a good one I'm afraid.

(I can, however, offer you a sofa bed/tent pitching space in the garden should you ever be passing through. We have good climbing country in these parts. And Yorkshire Puddings.)

 **hawkwing_1b**
May 21 2008, 21:58:18 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

You will be on holiday when I'm taking an exam.

I think I'm jealous now.

(Not that I wasn't before. I mean, you can cook.) :)

 **beatriceeagle**
May 22 2008, 02:48:57 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

See? I didn't even need to initiate a countdown!

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